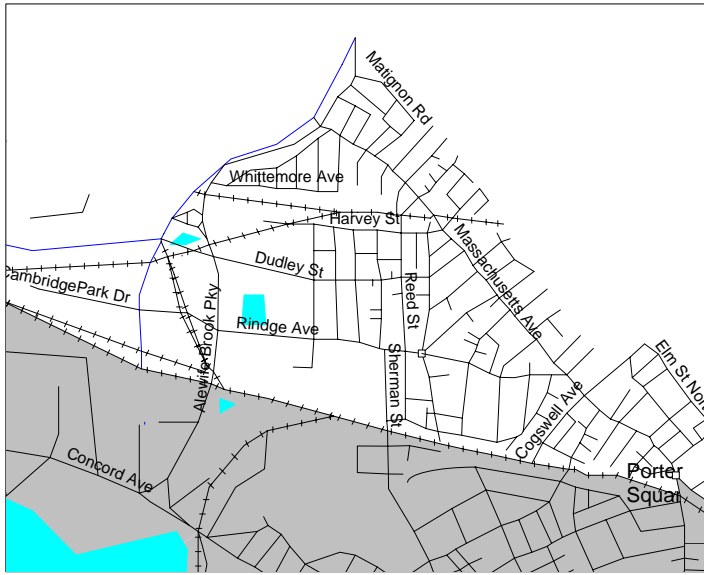
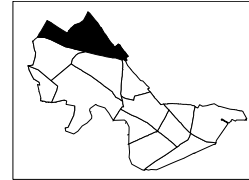


NEIGHBORHOOD 11

NORTH CAMBRIDGE



BOUNDARIES: bordered by the Belmont line, the Arlington Line, the Somerville Line, Porter Square, and the B&M Railroad

POPULATION: 10,642 residents
4,699 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$31,516

Neighborhood #11 is encompassed in the patrol boundaries of Car 5 (2 officers) and Car 11R (1 officer). It also includes walking routes 11A, 11B, 11C, and 11D.

COMPARISON OF 3RD Q. TARGET CRIME STATISTICS, 1999 - 2003

CRIME	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Housebreaks	26	27	29	47	46
Street Robbery	10	5	4	9	23
Auto Theft	30	26	36	36	24
Larceny from MVs	41	34	48	54	45
Malicious Destruction	88	76	96	91	76
Drug Arrests	9	7	11	7	6

2003 THIRD QUARTER IN REVIEW

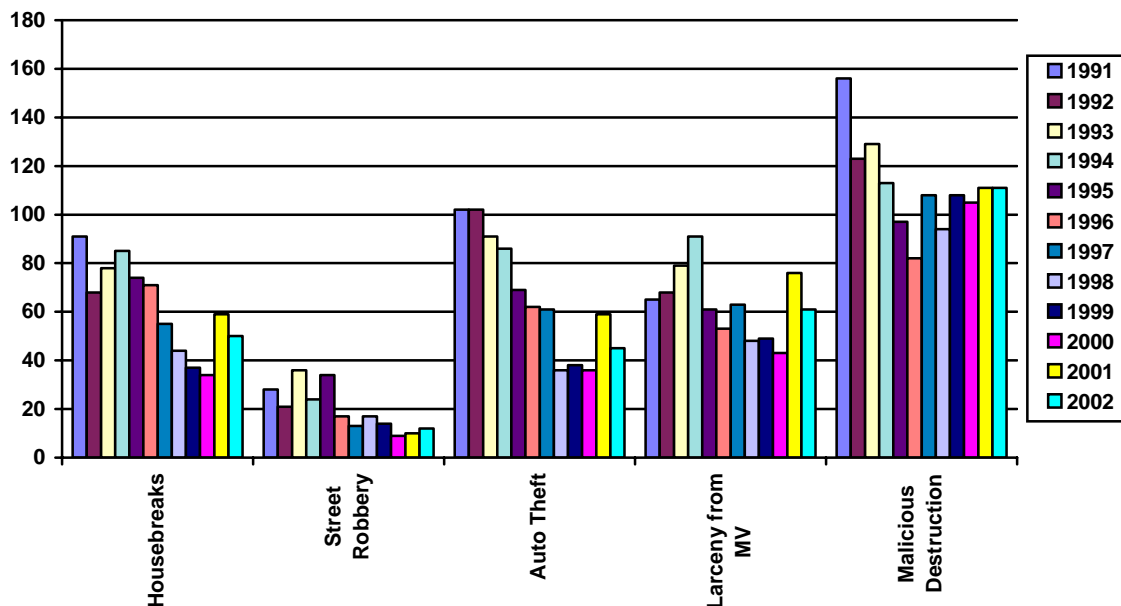
Housebreaks are virtually equal to last year during the same reporting period. After the slow months of June and July in which only 3 housebreak incidents were reported, the end of the summer heated up as seen by the 19 reported breaks during August and September. Ten out of the nineteen occurred mid-week on Wednesdays or Thursdays. Rindge Avenue, Reed Street, Cambridgeport Drive, Cedar Street, Edmunds Street and Beech Street were all targets of multiple housebreaks. • With the warmer weather came an increase in **street robberies**, evidenced by the twelve that occurred between July and September alone as compared to the eleven incidents reported in the first six months of 2003. Seven street robbery incidents involved the use of a weapon. The majority of robberies occurred between 6:00 p.m. and 1:30 a.m. • No patterns emerged for **auto thefts**. • Ten **larcenies from motor vehicles** occurred during the month of June. This number equals the entire total reports for the months of July, August and September. The most common entry into the targeted vehicle was through a smashed side window. Time of occurrence was usually during the nighttime hours. • Fifty **malicious destruction** acts were aimed towards motor vehicles. This includes keying, slashing of tires, and broken windows. • Five of the six **drug arrests** resulted in the confiscation of marijuana. The other arrest was the result of the sale of prescription medication. The six drug arrest incidents led to the arrest of 10 individuals. One juvenile was summoned to court after a parent found narcotics in his room and turned them over to the police.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

North Cambridge has the third highest population in the city. Its residences include a public housing development (Jefferson Park/Jackson Place) and the towering Fresh Pond Apartments. Within its confines are three major public parks (Rindge Field, Russell Field, and Linear Park), the bustling Porter Square, and the Alewife MBTA Station. Dozens of commercial establishments line Massachusetts Avenue. As with Mid-Cambridge, its elevated crime rate reflects its high residential and commercial population.

- **Housebreak** patterns tend to occur during the summer months. Incidents are scattered quite liberally throughout the neighborhood's residential population. Each year, the Crime Analysis Unit identifies two or three North Cambridge residential burglary patterns. North Cambridge's housebreak totals have decreased since the 1980s, but did not really start rolling downward until 1996.
- **Street robberies** have traditionally been problematic in Russell Field, Linear Park, and around the Alewife MBTA Station. In the most common scenario, local (Cambridge or Somerville) youths will form packs and strong-arm victims walking in these areas late at night. The packs may brandish knives or the occasional handgun. This type of crime has diminished greatly, however, in the past three years.
- **Auto theft** strikes Rindge Avenue (and particularly the Fresh Pond Apartments) in heavy numbers all year round. The related crime of **larceny from motor vehicles** is reported less frequently.

ANNUAL TOTALS



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR NORTH CAMBRIDGE AREA TARGET CRIMES

Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2002*
Housebreaks	100	6	64	3	4
Street Robbery	30	5	22	3	7
Auto Theft	130	5	69	4	5
Larceny from MVs	105	6	62	6	5
Malicious Destruction	125	4	111	2	4

*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest